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| <b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES<br/>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)<br/>CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>  |   | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO.<br>007035.00028           |
|  |   | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, See 37 CFR 1.5) |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br>PCT/FR2005/000551   | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE<br>8 March 2005 | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED<br>11 March 2004          |
| TITLE OF INVENTION<br><b>DEVICE FOR FIXING A CHUTE TO A POWDER-PRODUCT-FEED HOPPER OF AN ELECTROLYTIC CELL</b>   |   |   |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US<br><b>Bernard BOURGES</b>  |   |   |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United State Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:   |   |   |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must included items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (PCT Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol> |   |   |
| <b>Items 11-20 below concern other document(s) or information included:</b>  |   |   |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An Assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:<br/>           Cover Page of the corresponding PCT Appl. No. PCT/FR2005/000551 as published under No. WO 2005/087626 A1         </li> </ol>   |   |   |

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| The following fees are submitted:  |  |   |         | Calculations                          | PTO USE ONLY |
| 21.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic National Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(a))  | 300   |         | \$300.00                              |              |
| 22.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(c))   |   |         |                                       |              |
|  | If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the IPER prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) | 0   |         | \$200.00                              |              |
|  | All other situations   | 200   |         |                                       |              |
| 23.  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(b))  |   |         |                                       |              |
|  | If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the IPER prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)      | 0   |         |                                       |              |
|  | Search fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as ISA                                    | 100   |         | \$400.00                              |              |
|  | International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB | 400   |         |                                       |              |
|  | All other situations   | 500   |         |                                       |              |
| <b>TOTAL OF 21-23 ABOVE =</b>  |  |   |         | \$900.00                              |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. |  |   |         |                                       |              |
| Total Sheets   | Extra Sheets   | Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number) | Rate    |                                       |              |
| 12 - 100   | 0 / 50   |   | X \$250 | \$0.00                                |              |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).   |  |   |         | \$130.00                              |              |
| CLAIMS   | NUMBER FILED   | NUMBER EXTRA  | RATE    |                                       |              |
| Total Claims   | 23 - 20 =  | 3   | x \$50  | \$150.00                              |              |
| Independent Claims   | 3 - 3 =  |   | x \$200 | \$0.00                                |              |
| Multiple dependent claims (if applicable)  |  |   | + \$360 | \$360.00                              |              |
| <b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>   |  |   |         | \$1,540.00                            |              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated below above are reduced by 1/2.   |  |   |         | \$0.00                                |              |
| <b>SUBTOTAL =</b>  |  |   |         | \$1,540.00                            |              |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).  |  |   |         |                                       |              |
| <b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>  |  |   |         | \$1,540.00                            |              |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property. +  |  |   |         | \$0.00                                |              |
| <b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>   |  |   |         | \$1,540.00                            |              |
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- c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:

/Rebecca P. Rokos/

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September 11, 2006

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